

Adopted: November 28, 2017

**ACADEMIC SENATE  
Of  
CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY  
San Luis Obispo, CA**

**AS-844-17**

**RESOLUTION ON KINESIOLOGY DEPARTMENT NAME CHANGE TO  
DEPARTMENT OF KINESIOLOGY AND PUBLIC HEALTH**

- 1 WHEREAS, The Chancellor of the California State University has granted approval  
2 for California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo to offer  
3 the Bachelor of Science degree program in Public Health, beginning  
4 Fall 2018; and  
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6 WHEREAS, The Department of Kinesiology has requested the name of its  
7 department be changed to the Department of Kinesiology and Public  
8 Health to better reflect the programs that the department is currently  
9 offering and the BS in Public Health; and  
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11 WHEREAS, The request for this name change has been approved by the faculty in  
12 the Department of Kinesiology, the College of Science and Math  
13 Curriculum Committee, the CSM Leadership Council, and the Dean of  
14 the College of Science and Math; therefore be it  
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16 RESOLVED: That the name of the Department of Kinesiology be changed to the  
17 Department of Kinesiology and Public Health.

Proposed by: The Kinesiology Department  
Date: September 11, 2017

## Memorandum

**To:** Dean Wendt, Dean  
College of Science and Math

**Date:**

**From:** Paul Choboter, Chair  
Academic Senate CSM Caucus

**Copies:** Kris Jankovitz, Chair  
Kinesiology Department

**Subject:** CSM Caucus Endorsement of Department Name Change to "Kinesiology and Public Health"

On behalf of the Academic Senate CSM Caucus, I am pleased to endorse the Kinesiology Department's proposal to change the department name to "Kinesiology and Public Health". The name change will better reflect the breadth of academic programs, research and career preparation the department offers. Further, the CSU Chancellor recently approved Kinesiology's new Bachelor of Science in Public Health degree program which will start in Fall 2018. This change aligns with the evolution of the Kinesiology and Public Health curricula offered as well as the faculty's areas of expertise and the current and prospective student's research and career interests.

In accordance with AS-328-89/EX an approved Academic Senate resolution for department name changes, the next step in the process would be for you to submit the request with endorsement to Provost Kathleen Enz Finken for consideration.



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College of Science & Mathematics

**October 4, 2017**

**Dr. Paul Choboter**  
**CSM Caucus Chair, Academic Senate**

**Dear Dr. Choboter,**

**On behalf of the College of Science and Mathematics Leadership Council, the CSM Curriculum Committee and the Kinesiology Department, I am pleased to endorse Kinesiology's proposal to change the department name to "Kinesiology and Public Health". The name change will better reflect the breadth of academic programs, research and career preparation the department offers. Further, the CSU Chancellor recently approved Kinesiology's new Bachelor of Science in Public Health degree program which will start in Fall 2018. This change aligns with the evolution of the Kinesiology curriculum offered as well as the faculty's areas of expertise and the current and prospective student's research and career interests.**

**Sincerely,**

**Dean E. Wendt, Dean**  
**College of Science & Mathematics**

**Copies: Kris Jankovitz; Kinesiology Chair, Elena Keeling; CSM Curriculum Committee Chair**

## Memorandum

**To:** Dean Wendt, Dean  
College of Science and Math

**Date:** October 10, 2017

**From:** Kris Jankovitz, Chair  
Department of Kinesiology

**Copies:** Elena Keeling, Chair  
CSM Curriculum Committee  
Paul Choboter, CSM  
Caucus Chair, Academic Senate

**Subject:** Department Name Change to "Kinesiology and Public Health"

In accordance with AS-328-89/EX an approved Academic Senate resolution for department name changes, the Kinesiology Department submits this request for your endorsement of our proposal to change the name of the Department of Kinesiology to the Department of Kinesiology and Public Health.

The faculty in the Department of Kinesiology have proposed this name change to better reflect the programs, research and career preparation offered by our department. Further, the department proposed a Bachelor of Science in Public Health degree that was recently approved by the Chancellor of the California State University for implementation in Fall 2018.

We respectfully request your endorsement for our proposal.

The proposal has been endorsed by:

The Kinesiology Department Faculty  
The College of Science and Math Curriculum Committee  
The College of Science and Math Leadership Council  
The Academic Senate College of Science and Math Caucus

The next step, according to AS-328-89/EX, would be to forward the request with endorsements to the Provost who will ask for a recommendation from the Dean's Council. Upon endorsement from the Provost our department will provide this documentation to the Academic Senate in support of our "***Academic Senate Resolution on Kinesiology Department Name Change to Department of Kinesiology and Public Health***".

The faculty in the department have carefully deliberated about the name of the department and we believe that the time is right to change our name for the following reasons:

- The Kinesiology Department has a long history of preparing students for careers in kinesiology, public health, allied health professions, health promotion/education, allied health professions, clinical exercise physiology, exercise, fitness & sport.
- On August 23, 2017, the Chancellor of the California State University granted approval to California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo to offer the state-support Bachelor of Science in Public Health degree, effective Fall of 2018.
- On September 5, 2017 the program was assigned the CSU degree-program code of 12141, and CIP code of 51.2201. Codes are denoted as Public Health.
- On September 20, 2016 the Kinesiology Department Faculty voted to change the name of the department to Kinesiology and Public Health. (14-2-1)
- In a student survey conducted in January of 2016 (n=211) the name Kinesiology and Public Health was ranked as the number one choice by students in the program.
- On May 23, 2017 the College of Science and Math Leadership Council voted unanimously in favor of supporting the Kinesiology Department to change its name to Kinesiology and Public Health.
- On October 10, 2017 the Academic Senate Caucus for the College of Science and Math voted unanimously in favor of supporting the Kinesiology Department to change its name to Kinesiology and Public Health.
- The faculty in the Kinesiology Department have the expertise to deliver a Bachelor of Science in Public Health Degree program that aligns with the most recent critical component elements from the Association of Schools of Public Health and the Council on Education in Public Health.
- Faculty members in the department hold terminal degrees in Health Education, Epidemiology, Health and Human Performance, Clinical Health Psychology, Health Behavior, Human Development and Family Studies, Kinesiology, Motor Control & Biomechanics, Physical Education and Sport and Exercise Psychology. Three faculty members hold Master of Public Health degrees.
- The faculty in the Kinesiology Department are engaged in NIH, DOJ and privately funded public health research and are well positioned to support robust undergraduate research experiences in public health domains.
- Our program has evolved over time to prepare students with the knowledge, skills and experiences necessary to address current public health challenges and meet the workforce demand in a sector of employment that is expected to increase by 18% in California between 2012 and 2022.

- California as home to 38 million people is engaged in vital strategies to improve health outcomes and Cal Poly graduates with a BS in Kinesiology, a BS in Public Health or an MS degree in Kinesiology will successfully contribute to these efforts.
- During the proposal process for the BS in Public Health the Kinesiology Department engaged in extensive consultation with more than 70 faculty members from across the campus, building on our interdisciplinary strengths in the development of the degree proposal. This process cultivated broad campus support for the Bachelor of Science in Public Health.
- It is time for the name of our department to evolve to reflect our programs, research and the career preparation offered by our department. We have the support of the faculty and students in the Kinesiology department, the CSM Curriculum Committee and the CSM Leadership Council to change our name to the Department of Kinesiology and Public Health.



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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Provost KathleenENZ Finken      DATE: 10/10/2017  
FROM: Dean Wendt, Dean *dw*      COPIES: Kris Jankovitz, Kinesiology  
College of Science and      Department Chair  
Mathematics  
SUBJECT: Kinesiology Department  
Name Change

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The Kinesiology Department has gathered all of the required endorsements (see Appendix A) to change the name of the department to "Kinesiology and Public Health". The proposal has been endorsed by the: 1) Kinesiology Department Faculty, 2) College of Science and Math Curriculum Committee, 3) College of Science and Math Leadership Council, and 4) Academic Senate College of Science and Math Caucus.

As you know, the next step requires a recommendation from you and the Dean's Council. With your written recommendation the Kinesiology Department Chair will provide all documentation to the Academic Senate in support of the *"Academic Senate Resolution on Kinesiology Department Name Change to Department of Kinesiology and Public Health"*.



OFFICE OF THE PROVOST AND  
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Dean Wendt, Dean  
College of Science & Mathematics

**From:** Kathleen Enz Finken *KEF*  
Provost and Executive Vice President

**Subject:** Deans' Council Recommendation for  
Kinesiology Department Name Change

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**Date:** November 3, 2017

**Copies:** Kris Jankovitz, Kinesiology Department Chair

The members of the Deans' Council support the Kinesiology Department proposed name change to "Department of Kinesiology and Public Health," with a vote of eight in favor, one opposed, one abstention. Once the Senate has voted on the corresponding resolution for the name change, I will consider all endorsements, review the documentation and provide a written response.



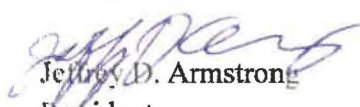
# MEMORANDUM

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**To:** Dustin Stegner  
Chair, Academic Senate

**Date:** January 4, 2018

**From:**   
Jeffrey D. Armstrong  
President

**Copies:** K. Enz Finken  
M. Pedersen  
D. Wendt  
D. Gragson  
K. Jankovitz  
C. Sunata

**Subject:** Response to Academic Senate Resolution AS-844-17 - Resolution Kinesiology  
Department Name Change to Department of Kinesiology and Public Health

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This memo acknowledges receipt and approval of the above-entitled resolution. I support the endorsements from the Academic Senate and the Academic Deans' Council (via email the week of October 30, 2017) as well as the approval from Provost Enz Finken in favor of the Kinesiology Department name change to Department of Kinesiology and Public Health.

Please extend my thanks to the Academic Senate members for their attention to this matter.